

HOUSE BILL No. 1175

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 9-30-3-12.

Synopsis: Defensive driving school programs and points. Provides that a person who successfully completes a defensive driving school program approved by the bureau of motor vehicles shall be awarded a four point credit on the person's driving record, with certain restrictions.

Effective: July 1, 2012.

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January 9, 2012, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 9-30-3-12, AS AMENDED BY P.L.106-2010,
 2 SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 3 JULY 1, 2012]: Sec. 12. (a) If during any twelve (12) month period a
 4 person has committed moving traffic violations for which the person
 5 has:
 6 (1) been convicted of at least two (2) traffic misdemeanors;
 7 (2) had at least two (2) traffic judgments entered against the
 8 person; or
 9 (3) been convicted of at least one (1) traffic misdemeanor and has
 10 had at least one (1) traffic judgment entered against the person;
 11 the bureau may require the person to attend and satisfactorily complete
 12 a defensive driving school program. The person shall pay all applicable
 13 fees required by the bureau.
 14 (b) This subsection applies to an individual who holds a
 15 probationary license under IC 9-24-11-3 or IC 9-24-11-3.3 or is less
 16 than eighteen (18) years of age. An individual is required to attend and
 17 satisfactorily complete a defensive driving school program if either of



1 the following occurs at least twice or if both of the following have
2 occurred when the individual was less than eighteen (18) years of age:

3 (1) The individual has been convicted of a moving traffic offense
4 (as defined in section 14(a) of this chapter), other than an offense
5 that solely involves motor vehicle equipment.

6 (2) The individual has been the operator of a motor vehicle
7 involved in an accident for which a report is required to be filed
8 under IC 9-26-2.

9 The individual shall pay all applicable fees required by the bureau.

10 (c) The bureau may suspend the driving license of any person who:

11 (1) fails to attend a defensive driving school program; or

12 (2) fails to satisfactorily complete a defensive driving school
13 program;

14 as required by this section.

15 (d) Notwithstanding IC 33-37-4-2, any court may suspend one-half
16 (1/2) of each applicable court cost (including fees) for which a person
17 is liable due to a traffic violation if the person enrolls in and completes
18 a defensive driving school or a similar school conducted by an agency
19 of the state or local government.

20 (e) **A person who pays all fees for and successfully completes a
21 defensive driving school program approved by the bureau shall be
22 awarded a four (4) point credit that must be entered on the
23 person's driving record. The four (4) point credit:**

24 (1) **remains in effect for three (3) years; and**

25 (2) **may be credited to a person only once every three (3) years
26 for successfully completing a defensive driving school
27 program approved by the bureau.**

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